

****IMPORTANT – PLEASE RESPOND ASAP****

Dear Tribal Leaders!

The EPA Administrator will be traveling to Dillingham on July 28th, 2010. I would like to make sure you are aware of this visit and have an opportunity to participate. I understand this is a really busy time but I am hoping to hear back from you as to whether you will be sending anyone. **Please respond no later than Thursday July 22nd. Please fax or email me a list of names and titles. Fax#907-271-6340 or email: fordham.tami@epa.gov**

AGENDA:

LOCATION: Dillingham Middle School (565 Wolverine Lane)

12PM-1PM - Tribal Environmental Program Successes/Potluck - **Contact Sue Flensburg (ph: 842-6241 or sflensburg@bbna.com) by Thursday JULY 22nd** if you are interested in sharing written information or providing a poster, or have any questions

Potluck - Organized by the Curyung Tribe: Please let me know if you plan on attending so I can give an accurate plate count to Curyung Tribe. You are welcome, they just want to make sure they will have enough food.

1-230PM - Meeting with Tribal Governments - This meeting is an opportunity for the EPA to hear tribal environmental concerns related to the proposed Pebble project, opportunities for partnership, and not a discussion as to whether or not the project should happen or not. I will need to know who will be the designated representative for your tribal government. If the Tribal Council can not travel and would like to appoint another person in the tribe to represent them please let me know who this person will be. **Please fax or email me a list of names and titles by Thursday July 22nd. Fax#907-271-6340 or email: fordham.tami@epa.gov**

245PM-345PM - Meeting with local and regional governments, non-profits, or other entities to share their perspectives on the proposed pebble project. Invitations will be sent to those organizations. This is a listening session, not a forum for stating positions on the project. EPA is not managing this as a public hearing, this is an opportunity for EPA to hear first hand from the Bristol Bay region to discuss their environmental concerns, and opportunities for partnership. Ralph Anderson, BBNA CEO, will be facilitating this session.

4PM - EPA departs Dillingham (back to Anchorage)

EPA folks that will be traveling to Dillingham:

Lisa Jackson, Administrator

Robert Goulding, Staff

Allyn Brooks-LaSure, Press

Michelle DePass, Assistant Administrator-Office of International and Tribal Affairs(OITA)

Shalini Vajjhala, Deputy Assistant Administrator -OITA

Elle Beard, Special Assistant-OITA

Jeff Besougloff, Associate Director, American Indian Environmental Office -OITA

Dennis McLerran, Regional Administrator-Region 10

Marcia Combes, Director, Anchorage Operations Office (AOO)

Tami Fordham, TC, AOO

Patty McGrath, Mining, R10

Water Program Person, R10

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me 907-271-1484, or fordham.tami@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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